

The Faith Herald

June 2023

*Faith Lutheran Church is
a family of God built on love:
worshiping, welcoming, learning,
and serving in Christ's name.*

Faith Lutheran worships each Sunday at 9:30 am
in-person worship is at Faith Lutheran Church
171 Lewis Lane, Hamilton MT

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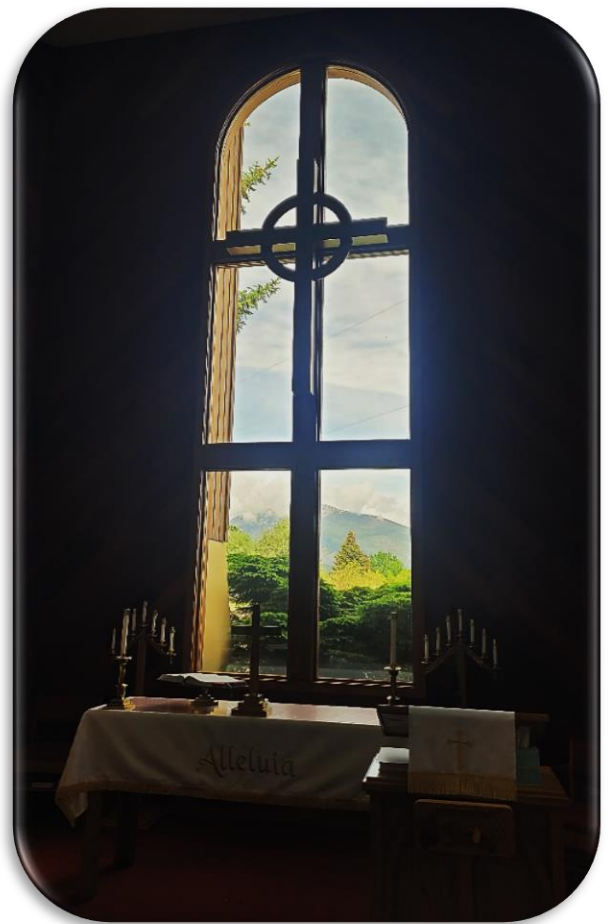
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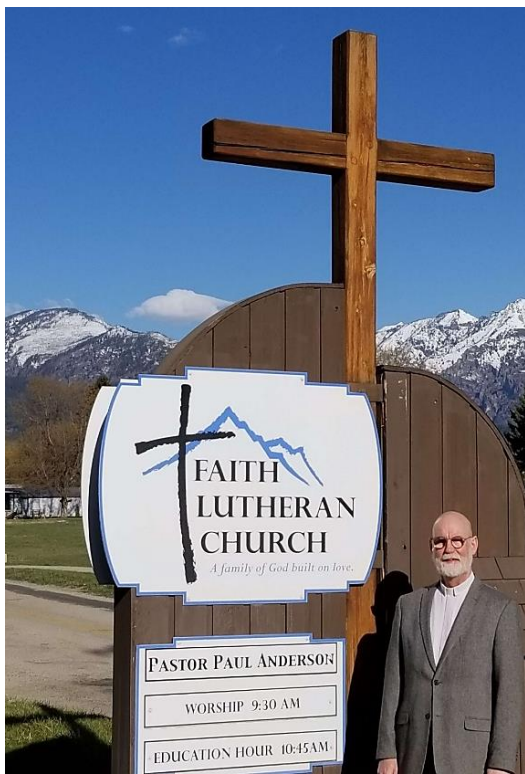
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Pastor's Ponderings -

Dear Members and Friends of FLC

As I think of Pentecost, and the Spirit coming to us with our many differences, and the vast diversities in, around and among us, I am filled with joy as God makes us one body of Christ. This reminder reminds us that the Holy Spirit remains very much alive in the here and now, and that brings me joy. Martin Luther writes this about the Holy Spirit.

“The heart overflows with gladness, and leaps and dances for the joy it has found in God. In this experience the Holy Spirit is active and has taught us in the flash of a moment the deep secret of joy. You will have as much joy and laughter in life as you have faith in God.”

May your heart overflow with joy as we continue to walk by faith.

Partners in sharing God's grace,

- Pastor Paul



June Birthdays

Paul Anderson	2
Colleen Southwick	2
Dennis Rotering	4
Vicky Mahon	7
Jacque VanDenburg	7
Gwen Lawry	10
Scott Southwick	10
Aksel Mitchell	11
Celeste Pogachar	15
Phil Silvan	19
Brandi Williamson	20
Lyn Mckee	30

Grief Group

If you would like information about joining a Grief Group at Faith, send Pastor Paul an email

flchamilton.pastorpaul@gmail.com and he will get in touch with you.



Montana Synod Announcements

Special Guest speakers become part of the Christikon Life this summer during sessions for adults and families. Continuing Education Retreat (July 25-28) we feature Dr. Eric Meyer. Watch for topic details on our website for both Continuing Ed and Mountain Weekend. Come spend a few days of relaxation, learning, and faith growth with us. Full details can be found on our website www.christikon.org We covet your prayers for Christikon's this summer for our summer and fulltime staff, and for all who join in the Christikon life.



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Council Corner

June 2023

“Children of the Heavenly Father, Safely in his bosom gather”... One of my favorite hymns for sure. Every time I sing it, I think of Bob and Rachel Gerloff.

At Christmas when we sing *“Your Little Ones”* I smile and remember Stan Read teaching me the Norwegian because we couldn’t just sing Swedish.

And *“When Christmas Morn is Dawning”* why I see my mom, teaching us the Swedish, putting us, the junior choir, on a horse drawn wagon for caroling thru Hamilton, visiting each nursing home and many residents, seeing the smiling faces of Josie and Oscar.

What hymn takes you back to a special memory, or brings back a special person? Singing God’s praises not only praises him, but also reminds us of the saints in our life.

God’s Peace

Amber Richardson, Steward of Worship

News from our Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp

Summer staff have begun to arrive from around the US and World!! Please pray for these amazing young adults, as they begin a summer of a lifetime!

Make plans to come to FLBC July 2nd 1-9pm for the 80th anniversary birthday party! History, swim, hikes, saunas, picnic, Concert with Just Move (formally AGAPE), worship campfire with singing through the decades!! All are welcome, no need to register, for the day, just come!! (we do have a few spots available for the whole weekend. Please contact the FLBC office to register.

June 9-11 is our annual Women’s retreat with Rev. Dr. Meggan Manlove, who will be leading the sessions on “Sharing our Faith Story” Fun, laughter, and chocolate and wine! AND Pr. Meggan is the Bishop elect (as of April 29th) for the Northwest Intermountain synod of the ELCA! To register go to our web site, or call our office.

We have room for Staff in Training, June 18-23. for those entering 10th-2023 HS graduates. Come to learn what it means to be on staff, and come back for another week, to BE a staff person! Apply today!!

Summer family weekend July 21-23 with Pastor JP Carlson, MSU Campus Ministry! A great weekend relaxing weekend, of fun, food, water activities, and Bible Study. Do as much or as little as you want! Register with FLBC today!





Vacation Bible School Day Camp

“Holy Trinity, Wholly Love”
The week of July 10-14, 2023

The VBS Day Camp “Holy Trinity, Wholly Love” scheduled for July 10-14 is fast approaching. It will be a fun week of worship, singing, bible study, service, arts & crafts, games, and more. Please pick up a flyer on the table in the Narthex to share with others. Also, it’s an opportunity to volunteer and become familiar with the First Presbyterian Church where VBS will be held this year! There is a need for help in the kitchen, preschool, craft area and all-around general helpers. If you or someone you know would like to help, please visit with Deb Cathey, Pastor Paul, or Linda Beyer.

Vacation Bible School Service Project

This year’s VBS “Helping Others” service project is to collect personal care items for students with minimal resources attending our local middle schools. This idea came from a discussion with local counselors who have seen a need from several students they serve. Items will be collected and then taken to our local schools at the beginning of the school year. Donation from members in our congregation who might like to contribute will gladly be accepted. Suggested items to donate include such items as: soap, body wash, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, lotion, toothpaste, toothbrushes, dental floss, feminine products, combs, brushes, towels, wash clothes. Items that cleanse the body and make one feel better. Donated items can be put in the collection tub under the table in the Narthex.



Congratulations to:

Sage Beyer
Cole Kimzey
Aksel Mitchell
Luke Mendenall
Conner Reed
Owen Dunn
Sam Dunn
Moriah Kinnunen

Celebrating our Graduates

The Quilters made our high school graduating seniors homemade quilts.





Congratulations to our 2023 Faith Lutheran Scholarship recipients!

Sage Beyer – Grand Canyon University
Amanda Boelman – Montana State University
Tanner Hanson – Rocky Mountain College
Tristan Hanson – Rocky Mountain College
William Heitmann – Montana State University
Cole Kimzey – Montana State University
Quinn Larson – University of Montana
Luke Mendenall – Montana State University
Maizie Mendenall – Whitworth University
Aksel Mitchell – Computer Communication Program
Emma Mitchell – University of Hawaii
Bryce Reed – Dickinson State University
Conner Reed – Montana State University
Logan VanDenburg – Pacific Lutheran University



Because of your generous support, more than \$8,000 was shared among these students. Money from this year's scholarship fund was provided by: The Bob and Rachel Gerloff Endowment, The Sylvia Lewis Memorial, The Scandinavian Fish Dinner, designated offerings, and our Easter Breakfast.

Thank you for your support of the young members of our congregation!

Special thanks to all of those people who helped with the Easter Breakfast, especially: Barbara Anderson, Judy Griffin, Jennifer Larson, Karen Heller, Cole Kimzey, Cecile Richardson, Amber Richardson, Mark Livesay, Linda Beyer, Pastor Paul, the Mendenall family and the Hanson family (Troy Hanson for flipping out pancakes faster than I thought possible).

The members of the Scholarship Committee are Judy Griffin, Karen Heller, Mark Livesay and Jacque VanDenburg.



Here are some up-coming events in the community you might like to plan for with family and/or friends.

Play Time

The Hamilton Players' summer musical is in rehearsal as you read.

You will recognize some people you know in this production as some church members have parts to play/sing! (Musical director is Celeste Pogachar, Amber Richardson is in the ensemble, just to name a couple.)

Rock of Ages

A love story with a musical score of favorite songs you know and love from the 1980's.

This show is intended for adults...not for young children!

Performances are: 8 pm on June 9 and 10, 2 pm matinee on June 11, 8 pm on June 16 and 17
2 pm matinee on June 18, and 8 pm on June 23 and 24

Tickets are \$25.

May be purchased online at hamiltonplayers.com

or call 406-375-9050 (box office is open Fridays between 1 and 5 pm, or leave a message)

Don't delay-tickets will sell out quickly!

A Peace Corps Experience

Lowell Baltz is hoping to put together a presentation of his experiences as a Peace Corps volunteer in his earlier days sometime in June. Keep this in mind for the middle to later part of the month as it is dependent on some help from his daughter who will arrive at the beginning of June. It's likely this would be combined with a light meal or snacks of some sort. An announcement will be made at church when more details are finalized.

For other church activities please check the Faith Herald and the church website.

Also...Jane Mason did indicate at one time she is willing to organize a Pinochle Game event if there is enough interest. Please let her know if you might be interested by emailing her (13ljmason@gmail.com) or talking with her at church.

Finally, here is a reminder of the general guidelines decided upon for the Golden Group

1. We'll loosely call ourselves the Golden Group (GG)- cuz it's easier to have a name than a long description...
2. We'll shoot for an event/activity every month or so and different people will volunteer to take the lead for an event/activity so no one person gets burned out...
3. At the end of one event/activity we can decide who will "host" the next event...
4. The small bulletin board on the short wall just inside the Fellowship room and at the start of the serving window will be an information area for the Golden Group...Check for activities and news posted there...
5. Linda B is willing to act as the contact person for sending and receiving ideas and information for now...or unless someone else volunteers. ☺
6. Always open to new ideas!!!





**2023 11TH ANNUAL
FREE SUMMER CONCERT SERIES**



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Free Ice Cream at Intermission!
\$1 Raffle Tickets! Food Trucks! Popcorn! Lemonade!
Bring Your Lawn Chair or Blanket! Always Family Friendly!

Friday, June 16, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

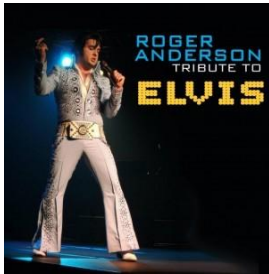
Who Dat

**(Classic Country Tunes, 80's Ballads,
Southern Rock, and More!)**



Friday, June 23, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

**A Tribute To The King Featuring Roger Anderson
(Music of Elvis Presley)**



Friday, June 30, 2023 at 7:00pm

Shodown

**(Blends of Bluegrass, Western Swing,
Traditional/Modern Country, Blues)**



Friday, July 7, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Surfs Up

A Tribute to the Beach Boys



Friday, July 14, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Band on the Run

A Tribute to Paul McCartney



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June

2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Memorial Day May Worship 9:30 am	May 29 Office Closed	May Weight Watchers 3 & 5:30 pm	May 31 Quilters 9 am–12 pm	1	2 MT Synod Assembly - Great Falls	3
4 Worship 9:30 am	5 Weight Watchers 3 & 5:30 pm	6	7 Quilters 9 am–12 pm	8	9	10
11 Worship 9:30 am ***** 11 am Council meeting @ church	12 Weight Watchers 3 & 5:30 pm	13	14	15 Men's Breakfast 9 am	16	17
18 Worship 9:30 am	19 Weight Watchers 3 & 5:30 pm	20	21 Quilters 9 am–12 pm	22	23	24
25 Worship 9:30 am	26 Weight Watchers 3 & 5:30 pm	27	28	29	30	July 1